

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BERKSHIRE SS.

TO: Rosemary E. Besancon, Constable of the Town of Egremont,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Egremont qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Mount Everett Regional High School Cafeteria, in Sheffield Mass., on Monday, September 30, 2013 at 7:00 PM, and then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$42,656.00, or any other amount, to the Acting Police Chief's account , or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee will make a recommendation at the Town Meeting.)

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000.00, or any other amount, to the Property & Casualty Insurance account , or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee recommends approval.)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$22,687.00, or any other amount, in addition to what was raised at the Annual Town Meeting to the Police Department Budget, as spelled out below , or to take any other action relative thereto.

	FY 2013	FY 2014 ATM	PROPOSED
POLICE	\$ 297,124.00	\$ 297,124.00	\$ 319,811.00
A. Chief Expenses	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
B. Chief Salary	62,825.00	62,825.00	64,082.00
C. Collective Bargaining	182,301.00	182,301.00	203,397.00
D. Depart Exp	10,899.00	10,899.00	10,899.00
E. Police Secretary	16,687.00	16,687.00	17,021.00
F. Vehicle Expenses	21,712.00	21,712.00	21,712.00

(Finance Committee will make a recommendation at the meeting.)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,020.00, or any other amount, to the Highway Personnel Member C account , or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee recommends approval.)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL, Chapter 59, Section 5N allowing the Town of Egremont to create a work-off tax abatement program for veterans, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee will make a recommendation at the meeting.)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to name the new Police Facility the "Stephen Michael Wells" Police Facility in honor of Mr. Wells, an Egremont resident, who was killed during the Iraq war, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee will make a recommendation at the meeting.)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the town will vote to borrow and/or appropriate \$100,000.00 for the acquisition and permanent protection of a certain property, consisting of approximately 24.93 acres of land off Mount Washington Road, shown on a plan of land recorded in the Berkshire Southern District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 3 at Page 219 and on the Town Assessor's records on Map 7 as Lot 764, for land conservation and water supply protection purposes; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$100,000.00 under G.L. c44,S7(3) or any other enabling authority; that to carry out this vote the Town is authorized to acquire the fee simple interest in the premises to be held under the care and control of the Board of Water Commissioners and with the protections of Article 97 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to grant a conservation restriction for conservation and passive recreation purposes to a nonprofit conservation organization, said perpetual conservation restriction to be granted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 184 and further, to authorize the Town and/or the Board of Water Commissioners to file any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements and to receive any such reimbursements; and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to issue such instruments of indebtedness under G.L. c44,S7(3), and including but not limited to grant anticipation notes under G.L. c44, s8C; provided however, that no indebtedness shall be incurred and no expenditure made pursuant to this vote until the Town has received a binding commitment for state reimbursement in the amount of \$50,000.00 in connection with the land purchase and/or easements under the Drinking Water Supply Protection Grant program of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, or other similar provision of law; and until the Town has received binding commitment for private funding contribution for \$50,000.00 from The Nature Conservancy; and further, for such purposes, to enter into grant agreements with the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs and with the Nature Conservancy. In the event that such grant funds are not available to the Town, the Town is authorized to acquire, for no consideration,

the fee simple interest in the premises to be held under the care and control of the Board of Water Commissioners and with the protections of Article 97 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

(Finance Committee will make a recommendation at the meeting.)


And you are requested to warn said inhabitants of said meeting by posting copies of this Warrant in four or more public places in said Town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding same.

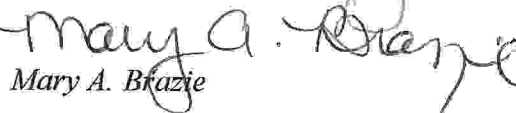
Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 13th day of September, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Selectmen:


Bruce C. Turner


Charles B. Flynn


Mary A. Brazie

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:



Brian Shaw
~~Rosemary E. Besancon,~~

Temporary Constable, Town of Egremont

DATE: 9/13/13